

### General Architectural Guidelines

The 1993 Downtown Specific Plan identifies general design guidelines for the plan area. These guidelines address the following:

- Building Roof Design
- Window Glazing
- Architectural Details and Decorative Features
- Visual Continuity
- Quality Building Materials
- Building Orientation
- Energy Conservation
- Private Open Space Requirements
- Façade Treatments - Street Level Retail Design
- Façade Treatments - Street Level Residential Design
- Façade Articulation
- Unscreened Private Outdoor Space
- Fences and Exterior Enclosures
- Prohibited Items

### Historic Buildings and Cultural Resources

The 1993 Downtown Specific Plan also addresses historic buildings and cultural resources. Special design guidelines, adopted by the City in 1980, establish standards for renovations to buildings and public areas in the Murphy Avenue Heritage Landmark District (Block 2). In addition, several buildings within the downtown are included in the City's Cultural Resources Inventory. Alterations to landmark buildings and buildings in the districts are subject to review by the Heritage Preservation Commission. Finally, a Heritage Housing District has been established to preserve the character of the residential district located on Taaffe and Frances south of Olive, an area bordering the South of Iowa specific plan residential area.



*The Villa Del Sol Housing development reflects the Specific Plan's influence in architectural detailing.*



*Murphy Avenue circa 1920's, courtesy of the Sunnyvale Historical Society and Museum Association.*





*Development along Murphy Avenue abides by specific guidelines to create a unique sense of place.*